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10 December 1964

MEMORANDUM FOR: Working Committee on CS Name Check Course

SUBJECT : "Problems" [REDACTED] 25X1A9a

ACTION : Review attached paper and meet for discussion early during the week of 14 December 1964

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1. Your attention is directed to an informal paper given to me by [REDACTED] on certain "problems" in regard to the forthcoming CS Name Check Course. My immediate reaction to the paper is that [REDACTED] is becoming unduly concerned with (1) the qualifications of the student; (2) the varying opinions that desk officers have as to what a name tracer should be, what the course should do, what product should result from the course; (3) the obvious limitations in running a course of this nature for only one week. I don't think any of us ever expect this course to result in a student who upon completion of the course can be earmarked as a person ready to do top-notch name tracing, no more than a covert operations techniques course can make a graduate thereof an expert in the sound employment of clandestine tradecraft techniques. All we can do is attempt to steer the body in the right direction.

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2. I will contact each of you to set up a meeting to discuss [REDACTED] thoughts together with [REDACTED] early next week (Monday or Tuesday). We have to get this effort back on the proper track. Bring your copy of the Syllabus to the meeting. I believe we can resolve this by firming up pre-course requirements.

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Per discussion between [REDACTED] myself, & talked to [REDACTED] advised him CS is well aware of it. Deficiencies steps have been taken to correct them, that his mission was to give the "him problem" I got on with it. [REDACTED]

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